eProject also automatically tracks what has been ordered and when, helping to ensure that everything is ordered on time and without duplication.

Also in news for the firm, Reliable Controls has appointed Ian Giles to the position of vice president, sales & marketing for the Asia-Pacific region. Giles joined Reliable Controls in 2013 as regional sales manager, Australasia.

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## Food cold chain council



Mark Mitchell

Experts from Australia's cold chain sector have formed the industry's first advocacy group, the Australian Food Cold Chain Council (AFCCC). The group aims to enforce Australia's cold food-handling produce procedures and reduce food waste.

"The new [AFCCC] is not about promoting an industry – we want to change the industry for the better," says interim chair and managing director of SuperCool Australia Pacific, Mark Mitchell.

"One of our priorities will be to apply whatever pressure is needed in industry and in government to make sure the existing Australian standards for cold-chain food handling are properly followed."

The AFCCC also plans to improve the industry by revising equipment and handling processes, as well as upgrading monitoring and assessments to determine where weaknesses lie.

Australia New Zealand general manager of Carrier Transicold Stephen Elford; technical director of Thermo King, Peter Lawrence; and transport manager of Simplot Australia Kyle Hawker are some of the other cold chain sector experts also serving as AFCCC's interim directors.

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## Belimo's advanced butterfly valve



Belimo Australia has released a new butterfly valve featuring multi-function technology (MFT) actuators designed for enhanced control.

Belimo says the modulating MFT actuator models allow users to create custom solutions for individual applications, using the same programmable actuator.

"Whether you need a particular control or feedback signal, or require changing running speeds, MFT is the answer," Belimo says. "It comes standard as a 2 to 10VDC proportional control but can be reprogrammed onsite. The newly designed butterfly valve and actuator assembly is the most intelligent, energy-efficient, and reliable high-flow solution in the HVAC market. With a focus on ease of installation, application flexibility and longevity, this series sets new performance standards in the HVAC market."

Belimo says the features include:

 Saves energy, with up to 80 per cent less power consumption than currently available solutions.

- Self-adjusting algorithm that assures zero leakage and improves system performance.
- Application flexibility with a fail-safe function and universal power supply input from 24 to 240VAC (24 to 125VDC)
- Easy troubleshooting, with its unique position indicator viewable from long distances and any angle.
- Simplified set-up, diagnostics and superior application data access, with BACnet and near-field communication (NFC) built-in.

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## Bitzer MD head of IoR



Kevin Glass

Bitzer UK MD Kevin Glass will be the next president of the Institute of Refrigeration (IoR) after his nomination passed unopposed.

Glass is expected to be formally appointed next month, but will support the existing president, Steve Gill, until his term of office ends in November next year.

Glass has had a successful 30-year career with Bitzer UK. He started out as an apprentice with Taylor Woodrow as a construction plant technician. This led to a position in a subsidiary company installing split-system air conditioners and repairing Trembath dehumidifiers.

Glass's involvement with the IoR has included presenting regional talks about screw compressor technology, serving as a member of the IoR's board of trustees, and sitting on the membership committee.

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